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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

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The listed document was cited in an Office Action issued in a counterpart Chinese patent application. A copy of the Chinese Office Action, which is dated April 7, 2006, is enclosed.

WO 01/31055, which is also cited in the Chinese Office Action, is already of record in the subject application.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

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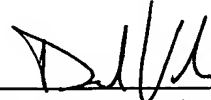
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,
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